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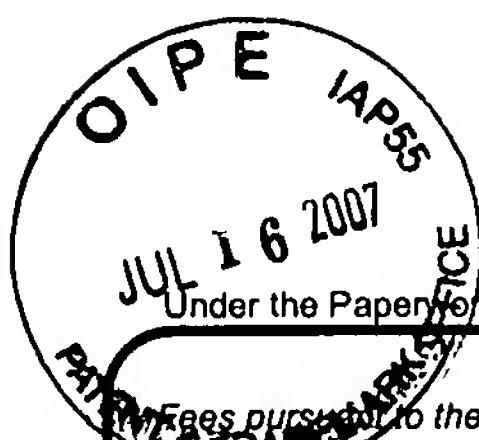
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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	_____
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	_____
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	_____
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	_____
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	_____

**2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES**Fee Description

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues) Small Entity Fee (\$): 50 Fee (\$): 25

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues) Small Entity Fee (\$): 200 Fee (\$): 100

Multiple dependent claims Small Entity Fee (\$): 360 Fee (\$): 180

<u>Total Claims</u>	<u>Extra Claims</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee Paid (\$)</u>	<u>Multiple Dependent Claims</u>
21 - 20 or HP = 1 x 50 = 50				<u>Fee (\$)</u> <u>Fee Paid (\$)</u>

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Removal in Mobile Multi-Media )  
Communications )

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## **AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 17, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.

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